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Evacuation of Cottages Along Broad Creek Underway *Concerns Over Earthen Dam Upstream*

(Bel Air, MD) - - Members of the Harford County Tactical Rescue Team (TRT) and Darlington Volunteer Fire Company, with support from National Guard resources, are currently going door-to-door at the cottages along Broad Creek in proximity to Flintville Road, and asking the inhabitants to evacuate the residences if they have not already done so.

Meters at the earthen dam just upstream have indicated that water levels are currently three feet above the dam. While there is not a concern for the structural integrity of the dam at this time, the volume of water flowing down Broad Creek has caused concern for the cottages that are located in close proximity to the water line.

The dam is downstream from the Broad Creek Boy Scout Reservation, which is not affected. The small Broad Creek dam is not to be confused with the Conowingo Dam.

In addition to the door-to-door contact, a Connect CTY telephone message was sent earlier to residences downstream of the dam. The TRT and Darlington VFC will advise the Emergency Operations Center when they have verified that all of the cottages have been visited and the area has been cleared.

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